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Rep. Hulsey on Gov. Walker's Newfound \$100 Million for Education--

It's Chickenfeed Compared to the \$800 Million He Cut

Madison, WI—Representative Brett Hulsey (Madison) today called Governor Walker's \$100 million for public schools "Chickenfeed" compared to the \$800+ million Walker cut from public schools.

"Wisconsin is among the states with the highest property taxes in the nation for homes according to the <u>Tax Foundation</u> because politicians like Governor Walker have cut funding by almost \$1 billion for our school children and schools. For him to throw in \$100 million the year before his election is disingenuous at best and chickenfeed at most," Hulsey said.

Representative Hulsey proposed the Get Wisconsin Working Again Budget Amendment in June to restore most of the cuts Governor Walker made to public schools, UW funding, technical colleges, student aid, and public servant health and retirement benefits, specifically:

- \$792 million for kindergarten through 12th grade public school children and staff;
- \$273.8 million to UW system students, faculty and staff;
- \$71.6 million to the Wisconsin Technical Colleges; and
- \$330 million to reverse the cuts Governor Walker made to health and retirement for 130,000 public servants in the Unfair Despair Act 10.

"As the parent of school children, we need politicians of all parties to put our money where our children are. Governor Walker cutting money for our school children limits their opportunities for living wage jobs," said Hulsey. "We can solve this problem by supporting my upcoming bill to restore \$792 million to public school funding."

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